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SUBJECT: MEETINGS OF EXPERTS ON CSCE SCIENTIFIC FORUM: MALTESE INQUIRY ON VALLETTA MEETING

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1. U.S. DEL APPRECIATES REFTEL. MALTESE DEL WAS
PLEASED WITH FACT AND NATURE OF RESPONSE. REFTEL
SUBSTANCE WAS PASSED VERBALLY TO CHARLES VELLA,
MALTESE EMBASSY, BONN AND PRESENT MALTESE DEL. HE
ALSO HAS LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE AS ONE OF HIS
RESPONSIBILITIES SO EXPRESSED PARTICULAR SATISFACTION
WITH FISHERIES THEMES. HE TOOK NOTES AND WILL CONVEY
INFO TO PREVIOUS DEL, PERSON ORGANIZING SCIENTIFIC
ASPECT OF VALLETTA MEETING, DR. J. V. BANNISTER,
DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOLOGY AND BIOCHEMISTRY, UNIVERSITY
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2. VELLA SAID THAT MALTA IS WELL ALONG WITH PLANS AND HAS OR WILL BE CONTACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES AND OTHER OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR PREVIOUS CSCE SESSIONS FOR ADVICE. HE AVERS THAT HELSINKI BLUE BOOK AND BELGRADE RULES WILL BE FOLLOWED AT VALLETTA, INCLUDING ASPECTS OF NON-PARTICIPATING STATES ROLE.

UNFORTUNATELY GOETZ VON GROLL, ECE OBSERVER AT BONN MEETING AND FRG CSCE EXPERT JOINED CONVERSATION AND STRONGLY PUSHED HIS PERSONAL INTERPRETATION THAT FINAL ACT GAVE NON-PARTICIPATING STATES A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN MED CHAPTER AND THEREFORE AT VALLETTA. HE ALSO OFFERED TO PROVIDE FURTHER ADVICE TO GOM. U.S. DEL REJECTED HIS INTERPRETATION AND WILL SUGGEST TO FRG DELS THAT VON GROLL BE CALLED OFF.

3. VELLA EXPECTED U.S. RESPONSE AND WOULD HAVE BEEN DISAPPOINTED HAD IT NOT COME. HE BELIEVES THAT GOM WOULD CONSULT ON OTHER ASPECTS. MEHAN UNQUOTE VANCE

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